

II. Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims replaces without prejudice all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-40. (Cancelled)

41. (Currently Amended) An injection hose assembly for connection between an air conditioning or refrigeration a-pressurized system and a manual an injector having a fluid containing portion for injecting fluids into the air conditioning or refrigeration a-pressurized system, the assembly comprising:

- a) a first fitting compatible with a fitting on the ~~a-pressurized~~ system,
- b) a second fitting compatible with the injector, the second fitting having an opening to which the injector can be connected,
- c) a substantially non-collapsing joint between the first fitting and the second fitting, and

d) a generally tubular hose between the first fitting and the joint, and

e) an inline normal swivel providing fluid communication between the hose and the first fitting such that the hose has a first conduit fluid path and the first fitting has a second conduit fluid path, and the first conduit fluid path is normal to the second conduit fluid path, and the inline normal swivel permits relative rotation of the hose about the first conduit fluid path and relative rotation of the first fitting about the first conduit fluid path,

wherein the first fitting, hose, joint and second fitting are connected to provide fluid connection between the first fitting and the second fitting, and

wherein the second fitting is offset from the hose and the joint permits at least two positions of the second fitting with respect to the hose when connected to the fluid containing portion of the injector, in the first position the second fitting opening is substantially aligned with the hose directed towards the first fitting and in the second position the second fitting opening is directed at 90 degrees to the hose, and

the second fitting is offset from the hose by a distance sufficient to permit the

hose and the injector to pass one another without bending the hose.

42. (Currently Amended) An injection hose assembly for connection between an air conditioning or refrigeration a-pressurized system and a manual an injector having a fluid containing portion for injecting fluids into the air conditioning or refrigeration a-pressurized system, the assembly comprising:

- a) a first fitting compatible with a fitting on the pressurized system,
- b) a second fitting compatible with the injector, the second fitting having an opening to which the injector can be connected,
- c) a substantially non-collapsible swivel joint between the first fitting and the second fitting, and
- d) a generally tubular hose between the first fitting and the swivel joint,

and

e) an inline normal swivel providing fluid communication between the hose and the first fitting such that the hose has a first conduit fluid path and the first fitting has a second conduit fluid path, and the first conduit fluid path is normal to the second conduit fluid path, and the inline normal swivel permits relative rotation of the hose about the first conduit fluid path and relative rotation of the first fitting about the first conduit fluid path.

wherein the first fitting, hose, swivel joint and second fitting are connected to provide fluid connection between the first fitting and the second fitting, and

wherein the second fitting is offset from the hose and the swivel joint permits rotation of the second fitting with respect to the hose between a first and a second position, in the first position the second fitting opening aperature is substantially aligned with the hose directed towards the first fitting and in the second position the second fitting opening is directed at 90 degrees to the hose, and

the second fitting is offset from the hose by a distance sufficient to permit the hose and the injector to pass one another without bending the hose.

43. (Cancelled)

44. (Previously Presented) The injection hose assembly of claim 42, wherein: the joint also permits rotation of the second fitting to a third position again

substantially at 90 degrees to the first position, while the second fitting opening is directed in the opposite direction from the second position.

45. Cancelled.

46. (Currently Amended) A method of connecting ~~a conduit~~ an injection hose assembly to an external fitting on an air conditioning system, the method comprising:

- a. utilizing ~~a conduit~~ an injection hose assembly as set out in claim 42,
- b. aligning the first fitting ~~of the conduit of claim 2~~ with the external fitting by manually swiveling the first fitting ~~of the conduit of claim 2~~ about the inline swivel, and
- c. manually connecting the first fitting ~~of the conduit of claim 2~~ to the external fitting.

47. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 46 wherein aligning the first fitting and manually connecting the first fitting are performed using a single hand.

48. Cancelled

49. (Currently Amended) The assembly of claim [48] 42 wherein the hose terminates in a third fitting, and wherein the first fitting and the inline normal swivel are comprised in a conduit adapter that further comprises a fourth fitting, and wherein the third fitting is sized to connect to an external pressure side fitting of an air conditioning or refrigeration system, the fourth fitting is sized to connect to the third fitting, and the inline normal swivel is between the fourth fitting and the first fitting.

50. (New) The assembly of claim 41 wherein the hose terminates in a third fitting, and wherein the first fitting and the inline normal swivel are comprised in a conduit adapter that further comprises a fourth fitting, and wherein the third fitting is sized to connect to an external pressure side fitting of an air conditioning or refrigeration system, the fourth fitting is sized to connect to the third fitting, and the inline normal swivel is between the fourth fitting and the first fitting.

51. (New) The method of claim 46 further comprising connecting the second fitting to an injector prior to connecting the injector hose assembly to the external fitting.